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In re Application of:  
Irene Teresa Rombel et al.

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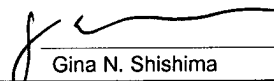
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS DATED MARCH 29, 2001**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including June 29, 2001 in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated March 29, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$1225.00 is enclosed, which includes the process fee (\$55.00) for a one month extension of time.

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